

Proposed change to the local rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Indiana. New material is indicated by redline, and deleted material is indicated by ~~strikeout~~.

**B-9010-2**  
**Appearance and Withdrawal**

1       (a) ~~Any~~ (1) Each attorney representing a party in interest, except an attorney signing a  
2       voluntary petition for relief or a complaint in an adversary proceeding, shall first file a separate  
3       formal written appearance clearly identifying the party or parties such attorney is representing,  
4       and the name, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address, ~~if any,~~ of the attorney ~~or~~  
5       ~~attorneys filing it.~~ The filing it.

6               (2) A single appearance submitted on behalf of multiple attorneys is not permitted. Each  
7       attorney must file his or her own appearance separately. General appearances by a law firm are  
8       not permitted.

9               (3) An appearance must be filed as a separate document and may not be incorporated into  
10      any other pleading, motion, or other request. See Local Bankruptcy Rule B-9013-1. An  
11      appearance incorporating a request for some type of relief or other action, e.g., an appearance  
12      and a request for notice, will be treated only as an appearance. Any other request joined with an  
13      appearance may be ignored by all parties.

14      (b) An appearance shall remain effective until withdrawn by order of the court.

15      (c) Separate appearances must be filed by each attorney in the main case and in any  
16      adversary proceeding in which that attorney is participating.

17               (d) For purposes of this rule, the granting of a motion for admission pro hac vice constitutes  
18      a written appearance in the case or proceeding in which the motion is filed.

(de) Upon filing an appearance in the main case, the attorney will be added to the matrix of creditors and will be entitled to be served with the notices, orders, motions, and other papers that are to be served upon all creditors and parties in interest.

(ef) Any attorney desiring to withdraw an appearance shall file a verified application and notice requesting leave to do so. The application and notice shall be served upon the client and, if filed in the main case, the United States trustee, any trustee, any committee and/or the entities included on any list required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(d), or, if filed in an adversary proceeding, all parties that have appeared in the matter. Unless accompanied or preceded by an appearance of other counsel, the application shall:

- (1) specifically state the grounds or cause for withdrawal;
  - (2) be accompanied by satisfactory evidence that counsel has advised the client, in writing, of the reasons for and the intention to seek permission to withdraw at least fourteen (14) days prior to its filing; and
  - (3) unless the client has terminated counsel's services, contain a statement that any response, objection, or comments to the application should be filed within fourteen (14) days.
- Unless requested or ordered by the court, the court may rule upon the application without a hearing upon the expiration of the time for any response.

(fg) Separate applications to withdraw must be filed for the main case and each adversary proceeding in which the attorney has appeared. The withdrawal of an appearance in the main case will not constitute an order withdrawing an appearance in any pending adversary proceeding and an order withdrawing an appearance in any adversary proceeding will not constitute an order withdrawing an appearance in the main case or any other pending adversary proceeding.